SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 926 By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize April Gathright, 2006 Salutatorian of Trezevant High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, April Gathright is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class at Trezevant High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Gathright has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, April Gathright has earned an exemplary 4.122 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young woman has earned numerous accolades; she was selected as one of the 100 Brightest Students in Memphis City Schools and has been named to the Principal's List on a consistent basis; and

WHEREAS, a valuable participant in her school's activities and her community's affairs,

April is a member of several academic, social, and civic organizations, including the National

Honor Society, SECME, and Lambda Phi Lambda; and

WHEREAS, an esteemed leader among her peers, she has served with distinction as President of Teens for Peace, President of the Senior Class Executive Committee, and as a member of the Student Council; and WHEREAS, Ms. Gathright has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and she volunteers her time and considerable talents to worthy causes, including Bridge Builders and the Clothes Closet; and

WHEREAS, April's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her success in college, where she plans to pursue studies in Medicine in preparation of becoming a pediatrician; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Nathan and Barbara Gathright, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gathright's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend April Gathright, 2006 Trezevant High School Salutatorian, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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